

SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE	STUDENT SERVICES ADMISSIONS - HEALTH SCIENCE PROGRAMS	Procedure 6.01.01.04
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A. Limited Enrollment Programs. The Health Sciences programs identified in the chart below are designated as limited enrollment programs. Enrollment in these programs is restricted and subject to capacity limitations imposed by, but not limited to, clinical site availability, instructor-to-student ratios mandated by accrediting and/or approving agencies, and the availability of instructional facilities, equipment, and other required educational resources.

B. Admission to Limited Enrollment Programs. Students applying to Health Sciences programs shall adhere to the application procedures, required documentation, testing requirements, and associated deadlines as outlined in the chart below. Applicants are required to meet with a designated success coach/academic advisor to determine whether the program requires additional evaluative criteria as part of the admissions process.

Program	SCC, Program Application, and Documentation Deadline	Health Sciences Program Admission Requirements			
		Prior to admission to a curriculum program, an applicant must attain designated scores or waivers on one of the approved multiple measure placement indicators: SAT, ACT, high school GPA, the college placement test or approved transferable course work. ** Although no minimum score is required, the score contributes to the applicant's admission ranking within a competitive selection process.			
		TEAS	GPA	Official Transcripts - High School or GED and all Colleges	Other
Associate Degree Nursing (RN)	January 31	Yes (60+)	2.5	Yes	Must successfully complete BIO 168 prior to program entry
Associate Degree Nursing – RIBN	January 31	Yes (70+)	3.0	Yes	Must successfully complete BIO 168 prior to program entry
Dental Assisting	March 1	No, but recommended	2.0	Yes	
Dental Hygiene	March 1	** Yes	2.5	Yes	Must successfully complete BIO 163 and CHM 130/130A prior to program entry
Emergency Medical Science	October 31	No	2.0	Yes	Must successfully complete ENG 111 and MAT 143 or CASAS scores above post-secondary level prior to Spring 1
Health Information Technology/Coding	Open	No	N/A	Yes	
Medical Assistant	Open	No	N/A	Yes	
Medical Sonography	March 1	** Yes	2.5	Yes	
Nursing Assistant	Open	No	N/A	Yes	
Occupational Therapy Assistant	March 1	** Yes	2.5	Yes	TEAS score of proficient or higher in reading
Opticianry	Open	No	N/A	Yes	

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Phlebotomy	Open	No	N/A	Yes	
Physical Therapist Assistant	March 1	** Yes	2.75	Yes	
Practical Nursing (PN)	July 31st	Yes (58+)	2.0	Yes	Must successfully complete BIO 163 or BIO 168 prior to program entry
PN-RN Bridge	March 1	Yes (60+)	2.5	Yes	Must successfully complete BIO 168 prior to program entry
Radiography	March 1	** Yes	2.5	Yes	
Social and Human Services	Open	No	N/A	Yes	
Respiratory Therapy	March 1	** Yes	2.5	Yes	
Surgical Technology	March 1	** Yes	2.5	Yes	
Therapeutic Massage	Open	No	N/A	Yes	

C. Admission Appeals for Limited Enrollment Programs. Applicants denied admission to limited enrollment Health Sciences programs may appeal the admission decision in accordance with the procedures outlined below:

1. Within ten (10) business days of receipt of the admission denial, the applicant must submit a written letter of appeal to the Dean of Health Sciences. The appeal must clearly state the basis for the appeal and include any supporting documentation relevant to the claim.
2. The Dean of Health Sciences will review the appeal and issue a written decision to the applicant within ten (10) business days of receipt of the appeal.
3. An applicant who disagrees with the decision of the Dean of Health Sciences may submit a subsequent written appeal, including any supporting documentation, to the Executive Vice President of Instruction and Student Services. This appeal must be submitted within five (5) business days following the decision by the Dean of Health Sciences.

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4. The Executive Vice President of Instruction and Student Services will review the appeal to determine whether program admission criteria and scoring were applied consistently in the evaluation of the applicant's original application. A written decision to the applicant within ten (10) business days of receipt of the appeal. The decision of the Executive Vice President of Instruction and Student Services shall be final.

NOTE: A "business day" as referenced in this policy is defined as a weekday when classes are in session.

Cross Reference: 6.01.1 – Admissions

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